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1. FOLLOWING IS THE DRAFT PROGRAM OF ACTION
FOR THE SUBJECT CONFERENCE DRAFTED BY THE CONFERENCE
SECRETARIAT.

QUOTE -

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION TO COMBAT RACISM
AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

A. MEASURES AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

THE CONFERENCE CALLS UPON GOVERNMENTS TO: (A) ADOPT
LEGISLATIVE, JUDICIAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER MEASURES
TO PROHIBIT IN THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES ANY MANIFESTA-
TIONS OF RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, REGARDLESS OF
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WHETHER OR NOT DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES PREVAIL. ACTION
TAKEN AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL SHOULD INCLUDE:

(I) WIDER AND STRICTER NATIONAL LEGISLATION TO IMPLEMENT
ALL UNITED NATIONS-SPONSORED INSTRUMENTS AND CONVENTIONS;
(II) ELIMINATION OF ALL DISCRIMINATORY LAWS INCLUDING
THOSE IN WHICH CRITERIA OTHER THAN RACE ARE USED, SUCH
AS CRITERIA BASED ON ANCESTRY, BLOOD PERCENTAGE,

IMMIGRATION QUOTAS, PROPERTY QUALIFICATIONS AND LITERACY AND LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS IN THE EXERCISE OF FRANCHISE AND IN EMPLOYMENT;

(III) CREATION OF ADEQUATE DOMESTIC RECOURSE PROCEDURES OF A JUDICIAL AND/OR ADMINISTRATIVE CHARACTER WHICH COULD BE RESORTED TO BY INDIVIDUALS COMPLAINING OF RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION;

(IV) ENCOURAGING THE USE OF UNITED NATIONS INSTRUMENTS RELATED TO RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION BY NATIONAL COURTS AND INSTITUTIONS ESPECIALLY AS THE PRINCIPLE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION HAS BECOME PART OF INTERNATIONAL JUS COGENS;

(V) PROVIDING IN NATIONAL LEGISLATION THAT THE PROHIBITION OF THE DISSEMINATION OF RACIAL THEORIES AND RACIST IDEAS DOES NOT INFRINGE ANY OTHER COMPETING RIGHT, SUCH AS THAT OF FREE SPEECH, ASSOCIATION ETC;

(VI) ADOPTING STRICT LEGISLATION TO PROHIBIT IDEOLOGIES AND ORGANIZATIONS BASED ON RACIAL PREJUDICE AND HATRED INCLUDING PRIVATE CLUBS AND INSTITUTIONS ESTABLISHED ON THE BASIS OF RACIAL CRITERIA;

(VII) PUBLISHING AND DISTRIBUTING WIDELY THE RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS OF UNITED NATIONS ORGANS AND THE RESULTS, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS DEALING WITH RACIAL DISCRIMINATION;

(VIII) ORGANIZING CAMPAIGNS IN ALL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AGAINST RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, INCLUDING OFFICIAL USE

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INCLUDING PROMOTION OF EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL;

(IX) PROMOTION OF SPORTS ACTIVITIES AMONG DIFFERENT RACIAL GROUPS AT THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEVELS;

(X) PROHIBITION OF DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES IN IMMIGRATION LAW;

(XI) MOBILIZING PUBLIC OPINION AND LOCAL INSTITUTIONS AGAINST THE EVILS OF RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION THROUGH THE MASS MEDIA AND THROUGH RESEARCH, SEMINARS AND MEDIA COVERAGE;

(XII) ACCEDING TO OR RATIFYING THE INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENTS ADOPTED UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND SPECIALIZED AGENCIES, SUCH AS THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION (1965), THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE SUPPRESSION AND PUNISHMENT OF THE CRIME OF APARTHEID (1973), THE ILO CONVENTION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT (1958) AND THE UNESCO CONVENTION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION IN EDUCATION (1960);

(XIII) CONSIDERING THE POSSIBILITY OF MAKING THE DECLARATION ENVISAGED IN ARTICLE 14, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF

RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, BY WHICH A STATE PARTY TO THE CONVENTION RECOGNIZES THE COMPETENCE OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER COMMUNICATIONS FROM INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS OF INDIVIDUALS WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION CLAIMING TO BE VICTIMS OF VIOLATIONS BY THE STATE PARTY OF ANY OF THE RIGHTS SET FORTH IN THE CONVENTION...";

(XIV) COMPLYING STRICTLY WITH THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS CALLED FOR BY THE UNITED NATIONS OR ANY OF THE CONVENTIONS REFERRED TO ABOVE;

(XV) CONSIDERING THE PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED IN RATIFYING THE RELEVANT CONVENTIONS OR FULFILLING THE UNITED NATIONS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND SOLICITING APPROPRIATE FINANCIAL AND/OR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO COUNTER SUCH PROBLEMS.

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THE CONFERENCE RECOGNIZES THAT ACTION AGAINST RACISM WOULD BE INEFFECTIVE WITHOUT DETERMINED EFFORTS IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION FROM THE LOWEST LEVEL UPWARDS. THE CONFERENCE THEREFORE URGES GOVERNMENTS TO DESIGN ED-

UCATIONAL PROGRAMMES EXPOSING THE MYTHS AND FALLACIES OF ALL PHILOSOPHIES AND ATTITUDES BASED ON RACE. THE CONFERENCE ALSO URGES STATES TO PROVIDE ADQUATE OPPORTUNITIES IN SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING FOR THE STUDY OF UNITED NATIONS MEASURES TO COMBAT RACISM.

THE CONFERENCE URGES STATES TO ALSO DISSEMINATE EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL AGAINST RACISM THROUGH INSTITUTIONS OTHER THAN FORMAL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, FOR EXAMPLE, YOUTH MOVEMENTS, WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS, TRADE UNIONS, ART AND DRAMA SOCIETIES ETC. TO THIS END THE CONFERENCE URGES STATES TO CHOOSE PROCEDURES OF INSTRUCTION THAT ARE APPROPRIATE TO THEIR RESPECTIVE LEVELS OF LITERACY. CONSIDERATION SHOULD ALSO BE GIVEN TO WAYS AND MEANS THROUGH WHICH COMMUNICATION MEDIA AND OTHER NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS CAN BE USED FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TIONS MAY BE ENCOURAGED TO PROPAGATE THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAMME FOR THE DECADE.

THE CONFERENCE URGES STATES TO TAKE MEASURES TO PROVIDE PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT IN EDUCATION TO MINORITY GROUPS WHO HAVE BEEN DISCRIMINATED AGAINST IN THE PAST OR WHO ARE IN A POSITION OF DISADVANTAGE VIS-A-VIS THE MAJORITY. THE CONFERENCE ALSO RECOMMENDS TO GOVERNMENTS TO ORGANIZE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH UNITED NATIONS AGENCIES, INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITIONS AND FESTIVALS ON VARIOUS ASPECTS OF YOUTH EDUCATION AND CULTURE WITH A VIEW TO FOSTERING A SPIRIT OF UNITY AND UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE YOUTH OF THE WORLD. THE CONFERENCE URGES STATES TO GRANT TO MINORITIES THE SAME RIGHTS AND DUTIES AS TO OTHER CITIZENS AND TO ENSURE EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW FOR ALL GROUPS.

THE CONFERENCE URGES STATES TO ENSURE THAT MINORITIES ARE FREE TO PURSUE THEIR OWN LINGUISTIC, CULTURAL AND RELIGIOUS GOALS. TO THIS END GOVERNMENTS SHOULD CO-OPERATE IN THE TRAINING OF TEACHERS FOR MINORITY SCHOOLS.

STATES ARE ALSO URGED TO TAKE SPECIAL MEASURES TO PROTECT AND DEVELOP THE CULTURES OF MINORITY GROUPS THROUGH LEGISLATIVE, CONSTITUTIONAL AND OTHER GUARANTEES.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT STATES WITH MINORITY POPULATIONS SHOULD CONCLUDE BILATERAL AGREEMENTS WITH STATES (ESPECIALLY NEIGHBORING STATES) WITH WHICH THE MINORITIES HAVE AFFINITIES.

STATES ARE ALSO RECOMMENDED TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

(I) THE ABANDONMENT OF POLICIES OF FORCED ASSIMILATION

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OF MINORITIES BY DOMINANT GROUPS;
(II) THE GRANTING OF EQUAL STATUS TO MINORITY GROUPS AS WELL AS IMPARTIAL RECOURSE PROCEDURES TO AIR GRIEVANCES;
(III) THE CREATION OF SOCIO-POLITICAL STRUCTURES WHICH GIVE ADEQUATE MINORITY REPRESENTATION IN GOVERNMENT AND CIVIL SERVICE;
(IV) ACTIVE GOVERNMENTAL ASSISTANCE TO MINORITY GROUPS FOR THE PURSUIT OF THEIR OWN ETHNIC AND EDUCATIONAL GOALS;
(V) MAXIMISING CONTACT BETWEEN THE VARIOUS GROUPS NOT ONLY FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES BUT ALSO FOR THE PURSUIT OF COMMON PROJECTS AND GOALS ON THE BASIS OF EQUALITY;
(VI) THE ESTABLISHMENT OF INSTITUTES AND CENTRES FOR THE JOINT TRAINING OF YOUTH OF THE VARIOUS GROUPS IN MATTERS OF COMMON INTERESTS;
(VII) SPECIAL PROTECTION OF DISADVANTAGED MINORITY GROUPS WITH A VIEW TO ENSURING THE FACTUAL EQUALITY OF ALL RACES AND GROUPS;
(VIII) ENCOURAGING RESEARCH AND STUDY AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING OF THE RICHNESS AND DIVERSITY OF THE NATION'S CULTURAL HERITAGE;
(IX) REFORM OF THE EDUCATION SYSTEM WITH A VIEW TO ELIMINATING INEQUALITY IN EDUCATION PROVIDED TO MEMBERS OF DIFFERENT RACIAL AND ETHNIC GROUPS;
(X) REVIEW OF SCHOOL CURRICULA WITH A VIEW TO ELIMINATING THOSE ASPECTS WHICH ARE NOT CONDUCIVE TO UNDERSTANDING AND RESPECT BETWEEN RACIAL GROUPS;
(XI) ENCOURAGEMENT AT THE GOVERNMENTAL LEVEL OF SPECIAL EFFORTS TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO MINORITY GROUPS;
(XII) THE SPONSORSHIP AT THE GOVERNMENTAL LEVEL OF SPECIAL EVENTS, DESIGNED TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON THE NATURE AND SYSTEM OF INTERGROUP RELATIONSHIPS EXISTING IN SOCIETY, AND OF THE ROLE PLAYED BY MINORITY GROUPS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTRY.

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STATES RECEIVING MIGRANT WORKERS SHOULD ELIMINATE ALL DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES AGAINST SUCH WORKERS AND THEIR FAMILIES BY GIVING THEM TREATMENT NO LESS FAVOURABLE THAN THAT ACCORDED TO THEIR OWN NATIONALS. THIS SHOULD INCLUDE SUCH FIELDS AS VOCATIONAL TRAINING, EDUCATION, CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL SECURITY, HEALTH, HOUSING THE TYPES OF POSTS WHICH MIGRANTS CAN OCCUPY, THE TYPES OF CONTRACTS ACCORDED TO MIGRANT WORKERS, THE RIGHT TO RESIDE IN ANY PART OF THE COUNTRY, REGULATIONS GOVERNING WORKING CONDITIONS, TRADE UNION ACTIVITY AND ACCESS TO JUDICIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNALS TO AIR GRIEVANCES OF DISCRIMINATION.

B. MEASURES AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

THE CONFERENCE URGES ALL INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO:
(I) DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE AS A MATTER OF URGENCY TO RENDER, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY INCREASED ASSISTANCE TO THE PEOPLES OF ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA AND THEIR NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN THEIR
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STRUGGLE FOR LIBERATION; (II) CONTINUE TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY MEASURES TO WITHHOLD ANY FINANCIAL, ECONOMIC, TECHNICAL OR OTHER ASSISTANCE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH AFRICA AND THE ILLEGAL REGIME IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA, TO DISCONTINUE ALL SUPPORT TO THEM UNTIL THEY RESTORE TO THE

PEOPLES OF ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA THEIR INALIENABLE RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE, AND TO REFRAIN FROM TAKING ANY ACTION WHICH MIGHT IMPLY RECOGNITION OF, OR SUPPORT FOR, THE ILLEGAL DOMINATION OF THE TERRITORIES BY THOSE REGIMES.

THE CONFERENCE URGES THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM TO CONSIDER:

(I) THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TRAINING INSTITUTES FOR AZANIA AND ZIMBABWE SIMILAR IN NATURE AND PURPOSE TO THE INSTITUTE OF NAMIBIA.

(II) THE INSTITUTION OF A 24-HOUR RADIO STATION DIRECTED TO SOUTHERN AFRICA;

(III) MEASURES TO GUARANTEE, THROUGH SPECIAL CONVENTIONS OR PROVISIONS, AUTOMATIC ASYLUM TO PERSONS FORCED TO LEAVE SOUTH AFRICA.

THE CONFERENCE URGES THAT TRAINED PERSONNEL FROM SPECIALIZED AGENCIES SUCH AS ILO, UNESCO AND UNITAR SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TEMPORARILY TO DESIGN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS, INCLUDING THE PREPARATION OF TEXTBOOKS, EMPHASIZING RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS. THE CONFERENCE ALSO RECOMMENDS THAT THE UNITED NATIONS SHOULD DESIGN AND DISTRIBUTE ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMMES ON THE EVILS OF RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION FOR DISSEMINATION THROUGH THE VARIOUS NATIONAL PRESS, RADIO AND FILM SERVICES.

THE CONFERENCE RECOMMENDS THAT EXISTING UNITED NATIONS STUDIES ON QUESTIONS OF DISCRIMINATION, NOTABLY THE STUDY ON DISCRIMINATION IN EDUCATION, SHOULD BE UPDATED PER-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IODICALLY AND NEW STUDIES SHOULD BE INITIATED, INTER ALIA, ON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

(I) TO ENSURE THE FULLER IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE 13 OF THE PROGRAMME CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF UNITED NATIONS DECISIONS AND RESOLUTIONS ON RACISM, RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, APARTHEID, DECOLONIZATION AND SELF-DETERMINATION, THE CONFERENCE RECOMMENDS THAT THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS SHOULD PREPARE A STUDY ANALYSING THE LINK BETWEEN THE STRUGGLE FOR THE ELIMINATION OF RACISM AND THE STRUGGLE FOR DECOLONIZATION AND SELF-DETERMINATION.

(II) THE CONFERENCE RECOMMENDS THAT STUDY OF THE PROBLEMS OF MIGRANT WORKERS BE CONTINUED BY THE VARIOUS ORGANS WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM AS WELL AS BY GOVERNMENTS, ESPECIALLY AS REGARDS RACIAL DISCRIMINATION ENCOUNTERED BY MIGRANTS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

(III) THE CONFERENCE ALSO URGES THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL TO STUDY THE NATURE AND TYPES OF RECOURSE PROCEDURES AVAILABLE TO MIGRANT WORKERS FOR THE AIRING OF GRIEVANCES STEMMING FROM RACIAL DISCRIMINATION.

PARTICULAR ATTENTION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO MIGRANT WORKERS WHO ARE EITHER STATELESS OR WHO HAVE NO HOME GOVERNMENT, EMBASSY OR CONSULATE TO REPRESENT THEM. THE CONFERENCE RECOMMENDS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO INVITE THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS TO ORGANIZE IN EACH OF THE UNITED NATIONS REGIONS, DURING THE SECOND HALF OF THE DECADE, REGIONAL SEMINARS ON RECOURSE PROCEDURES AVAILABLE AT THE NATIONAL OR LOCAL LEVEL TO PERSONS WHO ARE VICTIMS OF RACISM OR RACIAL DISCRIMINATION.

THE CONFERENCE URGES THE ILO TO HOLD FURTHER REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS ON THE SUBJECT OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION ENCOUNTERED BY MIGRANT WORKERS.

THE CONFERENCE RECOMMENDS THAT UNITAR SHOULD ORGANIZE AN INTERNATIONAL COLLOQUIUM ON THE PROHIBITION OF RACIAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DISCRIMINATION IN INTERNATIONAL LAW, WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE PRINCIPLE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION AS A PRINCIPLE OF JUS COGENS IN INTERNATIONAL LAW.

THE CONFERENCE RECOMMENDS THAT THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS SHOULD PUBLISH AND DISTRIBUTE AT REGULAR INTERVALS A REVIEW DEVOTED TO THE EVOLUTION OF TRENDS AND OPINIONS ON THE QUESTION OF RACE, RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION.

C. MEASURES AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL

THE CONFERENCE INVITES THE REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS TO ADOPT PROGRAMMES OF ACTION TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND TO INFORM THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN THEIR ANNUAL REPORTS SUBMITTED UNDER ECOSOC RESOLUTION 1159 () OF THE PROGRAMMES WHICH THEY HAVE ADOPTED AND OF MEASURES TAKEN TO IMPLEMENT THEM.

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THE CONFERENCE RECOMMENDS THAT THE COMMITTEE ON THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION SHOULD HOLD SESSIONS IN DIFFERENT REGIONS OF THE WORLD IN ORDER TO INCREASE AWARENESS OF AND INTEREST IN ITS ACTIVITIES. THE CONFERENCE FURTHER RECOMMENDS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO INVITE THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS TO ENTER INTO CONTACTS WITH REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS WITH A VIEW TO ARRANGING SUCH SESSION OF THE CERD.

D. SUPPORT TO VICTIMS OF RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION
THE CONFERENCE CALLS UPON ALL GOVERNMENTS, SPECIALIZED AGENCIES, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS TO:

- (1) CONTINUE AND INCREASE ASSISTANCE ON A BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL BASIS TO PEOPLES WHO ARE VICTIMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, COLONIALISM AND FOREIGN DOMINATION;
- (2) SUPPORT PROGRAMMES (NATIONAL, REGIONAL, INTERNATIONAL) DESIGNED TO ERADICATE ALL FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO SUCH PROGRAMMES;
- (3) GRANT SCHOLARSHIPS TO THE YOUTH OF TERRITORIES WHERE RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, COLONIALISM AND FOREIGN DOMINATION PREVAILS, IN PARTICULAR THROUGH INCREASED CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA;
- (4) DENY ALL MILITARY, ECONOMIC, POLITICAL, DIPLOMATIC OR OTHER ASSISTANCE TO THE RACIST REGIMES, WHICH ENABLES AND ENCOURAGES THESE REGIMES TO ENFORCE AND PERPETUATE THEIR RACIST POLICIES;
- (5) ENSURE THAT ALL UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS RELEVANT TO THE ISOLATION OF THE RACIST REGIMES IN SOUTHERN

AFRICA ARE FULLY IMPLEMENTED;

(6) ADOPT ALL NECESSARY ACTION TO STOP MULTINATIONAL
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CORPORATIONS, DEALS AND OTHER INVESTMENTS IN TERRITORIES
SUBJECT TO ANY FORM OF RACISM, RACIAL DISCRIMINATION,
COLONIALISM AND FOREIGN DOMINATION;
(7) MAKE GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UNITED NATIONS
TRUST FUND FOR PUBLICITY AGAINST APARTHEID AND INCREASE
CONTRIBUTIONS TO FUNDS FOR ASSISTANCE TO THE OPPRESSED
PEOPLES OF SOUTHERN AFRICA.

THE CONFERENCE RECOMMENDS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL FUND ON A VOLUNTARY BA-
SIS TO HELP THE PEOPLES AND MOVEMENTS STRUGGLING AGAINST
RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND APARTHEID BEARING IN MIND THE
FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:

(I) THE OBJECTIVES OF THE FUND WOULD BE TO PROVIDE WORLD-
WIDE ASSISTANCE TO VICTIMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION. THE
FUND SHOULD ALSO SERVE TO DEAL GLOBALLY WITH THE PROBLEM
OF THE PROMOTION OF ASSISTANCE TO THOSE WHO WISH TO TAKE
EFFECTIVE ACTION TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION.
THE FUND SHOULD WORK IN CLOSE CO-ORDINATION AND CO-OPERA-
TION WITH EXISTING FUNDS SUCH AS THE UNITED NATIONS TRUST
FUND FOR SOUTH AFRICA, THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL AND
TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA, THE UNITED NATIONS
TRUST FUND FOR PUBLICITY AGAINST APARTHEID, AND SHOULD
COMPLEMENT THE OBJECTIVES OF THESE FUNDS. HOWEVER, IT
SHOULD CONCENTRATE ON ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS IN ALL PARTS
OF THE WORLD WHO, BECAUSE OF THEIR ACTION AGAINST RACISM
OR RACIAL DISCRIMINATION NEED LEGAL AND OTHER ASSISTANCE.
THE PROPOSED FUND COULD ALSO BE USED TO DISTRIBUTE HUMAN-
ITARIAN, LEGAL, TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL AID TO VICTIMS
OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND TO PROMOTE, IN GENERAL,
ACTIVITIES ENVISAGED UNDER THE PROGRAMME FOR THE DECADE,
ESPECIALLY THROUGH CONCRETE PROJECTS DESIGNED FOR THE
REALIZATION OF THE GOALS OF THE DECADE.

(II) PAST EXPERIENCE OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN ESTABLISH-
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ING SIMILAR FUNDS COULD BE USED IN FINALIZING THE SCOPE
OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE FUND, ITS MANAGEMENT AND CO-
ORDINATION WITH EXISTING FUNDS, THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM
AND THE RELEVANT REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.

GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FUND BY GOVERNMENTS,
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AND
BY INDIVIDUALS WOULD BE A MAJOR SUPPORT TO THE REALIZATION
OF THE GOALS OF THE PROGRAMME FOR THE DECADE.

E. THE ROLE OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
THE CONFERENCE RECOMMENDS THAT IN ORDER TO EVALUATE THE
ACTIVITIES OF THE DECADE AS REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPH 18 OF THE
PROGRAMME, THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER
THE POSSIBILITY OF SETTING UP A WORKING GROUP OF
EXPERTS TO ASSIST IT IN THIS TASK.

F. FURTHER REVIEW OF THE PROGRESS OF THE DECADE

THE CONFERENCE RECOMMENDS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT AT
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THE END OF THE DECADE ANOTHER WORLD CONFERENCE SHOULD BE
HELD TO REVIEW AND EVALUATE THE WORK UNDERTAKEN DURING
THE DECADE TO COMBAT RACISM AND TO CHART NEW MEASURES

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